

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 22-28 are pending in the present application. Claim 22 is amended; and Claims 13, 15-16 and 18-21 are canceled by the present amendment. Support for amended Claim 22 can be found in the originally filed specification, claims and drawings.¹ Thus, no new matter is added.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 22 and 25-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Luo et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,158, hereafter “Luo”) in view of Russell (U.S. Patent No. 5,729,220); and Claims 23, 24 and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Luo in view of Russell and Sudo (EP 0797336).

Claims 22 and 25-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Luo in view of Russell. In response to this rejection, Applicant respectfully submits that amended independent Claim 22 recites novel features clearly not taught or rendered obvious by the applied references.

Amended independent Claim 22 recites an information processing system comprising:

a remote controller terminal...
wherein said remote controller includes
 a wireless telephone unit configured to communicate
 with a wireless telephone network,
 a local wireless interface configured to communicate
 with said information processing device,
 an input device configured to receive a request to
 remotely control said information processing device with said
 remote controller terminal, and configured to transmit
 information to a processor, said information required for
 generating a menu operation request, a selection request, and
 an operation determination request,
 said input device further configured to ***receive a request***
 to initiate a wireless telephone call via said wireless telephone
 unit...

¹ E.g., specification, p. 12.

In rejecting the claimed features directed to the “remote controller terminal” the outstanding Office Action, at p. 2, cites the palm sized computer 100 of Luo. Luo is directed to a device that uses a palm-sized computer that performs control over applications on a computer.

The interface of Luo’s computer 100, however, is not used for both remotely controlling an information processing device and “*receiving a request to initiate a wireless telephone call via said wireless telephone unit*” as recited in amended independent Claim 22.

More particularly, in addressing the features directed to the claimed “input device” of the remote controller, the outstanding Office Action relies on col. 1, ll. 24-25; and col. 6, l. 1-col. 7, l. 18 of Luo. These cited portions of Luo describe that “palm sized computers have limited processing, display and input capabilities.” Col. 6, l. 1-col. 7, l. 18 further describes how the GUI 212 of the computer 100 can be used to search for, and download, services; remotely control a power point application; or draw images on a panel on a display of a CPU. However, at no point does Luo teach or suggest that the same interface is used both to remotely control an information processing device and to “*receive a request to initiate a wireless telephone call via said wireless telephone unit*” as recited in amended independent Claim 22.

Further, in rejecting the claimed feature directed to the “wireless telephone unit” the outstanding Office Action cites col. 5, ll. 57-65 of Luo. This cited portion of Luo describes that a network connection can be established between the control device 200 (i.e. computer 100) and a network. For Palm computers, possible connection options include: using infrared (IR) to talk to a IR-LAN bridge or router; using the serial port to talk to a serial-to-LAN bridge or router; using either the IR or the serial port to talk to a digital cell phone and dial up a modem server, and/or using wireless data communications. However, these connections

are for the purpose of retrieving and downloading software and for controlling a remote CPU, and are not for the purpose of initiating a wireless call, as claimed.

Further, neither Russell nor Sudo cure any of the above noted deficiencies of Luo. Therefore, Luo, Russell and Sudo, neither alone, nor in combination, teach or suggest an input of a remote controller that is used for both receiving a request to remotely control an information processing device and "*receiving a request to initiate a wireless telephone call via said wireless telephone unit*" as recited in amended independent Claim 22.

Accordingly, as Luo, Russell, and Sudo do not teach or suggest each and every element of amended independent Claim 22, it is respectfully submitted that Claim 22 (and Claims 23-28 dependent therefrom) is patentable over Luo, Russell, and Sudo.

Consequently, in view of the foregoing discussion and present amendment, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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